Supporting Information

High thermoelectric power factor of poly(3-hexylthiophene) through in-plane alignment and doping with a molybdenum dithiolene complex

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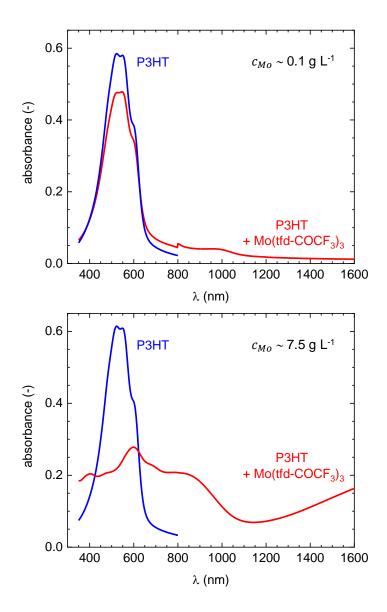


Figure S1. UV-vis-NIR absorbance spectra of a P3HT film before (blue) and after (red) sequential doping with Mo(tfd-COCF₃)₃: $c_{Mo} \sim 0.1$ g L⁻¹ (top), $c_{Mo} \sim 7.5$ g L⁻¹ (bottom).

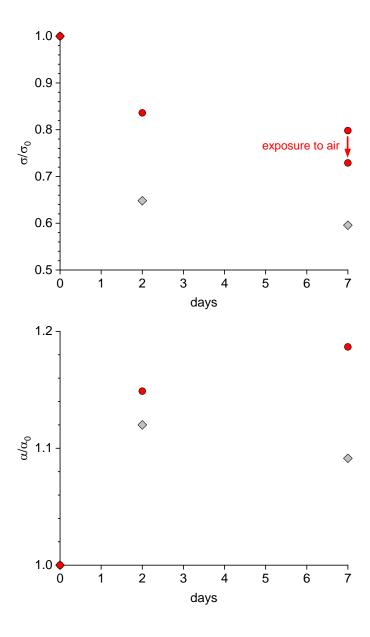


Figure S2. Change in conductivity σ/σ_0 (top) and Seebeck coefficient α/α_0 (bottom) of P3HT doped with $c_{Mo} \sim 7.5$ g L⁻¹ during storage in a glove box; gray diamonds: neat P3HT ($\sigma_0 \sim 285$ S cm⁻¹; $\alpha_0 \sim 35$ μ V K⁻¹); red circles: rubbed P3HT parallel to rubbing direction ($\sigma_0 \sim 681$ S cm⁻¹; $\alpha_0 \sim 43$ μ V K⁻¹); after 7 days storage in a glove box the rubbed samples was exposed to air.

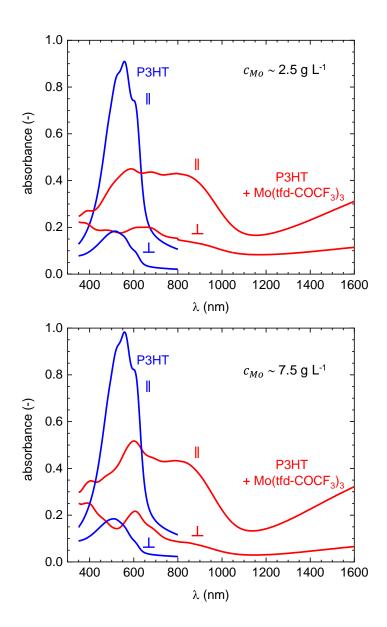


Figure S3. Polarized UV-vis-NIR absorbance spectra of rubbed P3HT and the same P3HT film sequentially doped with Mo(tfd-COCF₃)₃, $c_{Mo} \sim 2.5$ g L⁻¹ (top) and $c_{Mo} \sim 7.5$ g L⁻¹ (bottom), measured parallel (||) and perpendicular (\perp) to the rubbing direction R.

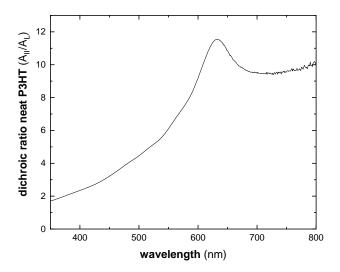


Figure S4. Dichroic ratio of neat rubbed P3HT versus wavelength; at 633 nm a maximum dichroic ratio of $A_{\parallel}/A_{\perp} \sim 11.5$ is obtained.

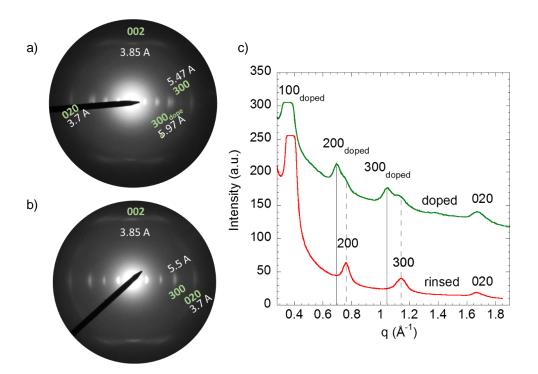


Figure S5. (a) Electron diffraction (ED) patterns of rubbed and Mo(tfdCOCF₃)₃-doped P3HT film before and (b) after rinsing the doped film with AcN. (c) Section profiles of ED patterns along the equator indicating doubling of the (*h*00) reflections due to the presence of two populations of crystallites (green curve); upon rinsing the ED pattern returns to the neat P3HT form (red curve).

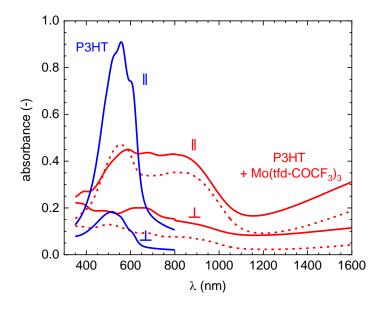


Figure S6. Polarized UV-vis-NIR absorbance spectra of rubbed P3HT (blue), rubbed P3HT doped with $c_{Mo} \sim 2.5$ g L⁻¹ Mo(tfd-COCF₃)₃ (red solid line) and the same doped film after rinsing with AcN (red dashed line) measured parallel (||) and perpendicular (\perp) to the rubbing direction; rinsing with AcN reduces the charge-carrier concentration from $N_v \sim (3.6 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{26}$ m⁻³ to $(3.3 \pm 0.4) \cdot 10^{26}$ m⁻³ and leads to an increase in the neutral polymer absorbance at 550 nm. Note the decrease in the vertical offset of the UV-vis-NIR spectra upon rinsing with AcN, which we explain with removal of excess dopant from the top of the film.

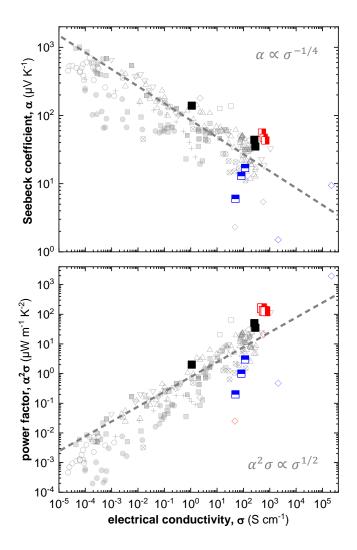


Figure S7. (a) Seebeck coefficient α and (b) power factor $\alpha^2\sigma$ versus electrical conductivity σ of isotropic P3HT (\blacksquare), and rubbed P3HTmeasured parallel (\blacksquare) and perpendicular to the rubbing direction (\blacksquare); grey data points are literature values extracted from ref. 1. as well as references therein; literature values are from ref. 2 (red and blue diamonds); dashed lines represent the empirical trends $\alpha \propto \sigma^{-0.25}$ and $\alpha^2\sigma \propto \sqrt{\sigma}$.

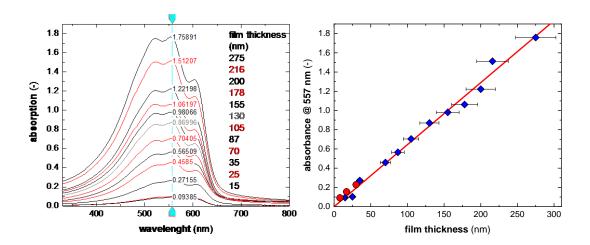


Figure S8. (a) Representative absorption spectra of spin-coated P3HT ($M_n \sim 29 \text{ kg mol}^{-1}$, RR $\sim 96 \%$, PDI ~ 2.2) from a 1:1 mixture of chlorobenzene:oDCB, the concentration of P3HT was varied from 2 to 30 g L⁻¹ to obtain films with different thicknesses. The UV-vis absorption spectra were measured with a Pekin Elmer Lambda 950 spectrophotometer and the thickness was measured with a KLA Tencor AlphaStep D-100 profilometer. (b) Calibration curve for P3HT film thickness obtained by plotting the absorption at 557 nm versus film thickness. Average measurement deviation was $\sim 5\%$, error bars in the graph represent an error of 10%. Blue diamonds: absorbance at 557 nm of spectra shown in Figure S8; Red circles: absorbance vs. thickness measured for films prepared with the P3HT batch used in this study ($M_n \sim 24 \text{ kg mol}^{-1}$, RR $\sim 95.9 \%$, PDI ~ 1.8).

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